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Introduced by:  
(CE)

***AN ACT REPEALING HIGH PERFORMANCE WORK ORGANIZATION  
PROGRAMS AND THRESHOLD PROJECT REQUIREMENTS IN THE  
PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CONNECTICUT  
INNOVATIONS, INCORPORATED.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-95f of the general statutes is  
2       repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3       *1, 2013*):

4       (a) Whenever the term "regional vocational-technical school" or  
5       "regional vocational-technical schools" is used or referred to in the  
6       following sections of the general statutes, the term "technical high  
7       school" or "technical high schools" shall be substituted in lieu thereof:  
8       4-124ff, 4a-11a, 4d-83, 5-275, 8-265pp, 10-9, 10-19d, 10-19e, 10-21g, 10-  
9       66p, 10-67, 10-74d, 10-76q, 10-95a, 10-95j, 10-95n, 10-95o, 10-97, 10-98a,  
10       10-233d, 10-235, 10-264l, 10-283, 10-287d, 10a-55e, 10a-55g, 10a-72d,  
11       17b-610, 31-3c, 31-3h, 31-3k, 31-11p, 32-4i [,] and 32-6j. [and 32-475.]

12       Sec. 2. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 32-1m of the

13 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
14 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

15 (3) An analysis of the economic development portfolio of the  
16 department, including:

17 (A) A list of the names, addresses and locations of all recipients of  
18 the department's assistance;

19 (B) The following information concerning each recipient of such  
20 assistance: (i) Business activities, (ii) standard industrial classification  
21 codes or North American industrial classification codes, (iii) number of  
22 full-time jobs and part-time jobs at the time of application, (iv) number  
23 of actual full-time jobs and actual part-time jobs during the preceding  
24 state fiscal year, (v) whether the recipient is a minority or woman-  
25 owned business, (vi) a summary of the terms and conditions for the  
26 assistance, including the type and amount of state financial assistance,  
27 job creation or retention requirements and anticipated wage rates, (vii)  
28 the amount of investments from private and other nonstate sources  
29 that have been leveraged by the assistance, (viii) the extent to which  
30 employees of the recipient participate in health benefit plans offered  
31 by such recipient, (ix) the extent to which the recipient offers unique  
32 economic, social, cultural or aesthetic attributes to the municipality in  
33 which the recipient is located or to the state, and (x) the amount of  
34 state investment;

35 (C) A portfolio analysis, including (i) an analysis of the wages paid  
36 by recipients of financial assistance, (ii) the average portfolio wage,  
37 median portfolio wage, highest and lowest portfolio wage, (iii)  
38 portfolio wage data by industry, and (iv) portfolio wage data by  
39 municipality;

40 (D) An investment analysis, including (i) total portfolio value, (ii)  
41 total investment by industry, (iii) portfolio dollar per job average, and  
42 (iv) portfolio leverage ratio; and (v) percentage of financial assistance  
43 which was provided to high performance work organizations in the

44 preceding state fiscal year;] and

45 (E) An analysis of the estimated economic effects of the  
46 department's economic development investments on the state's  
47 economy, including (i) contribution to gross state product for the total  
48 economic development portfolio and for any investment activity  
49 occurring in the preceding state fiscal year, (ii) direct and indirect  
50 employment created by the investments for the total portfolio and for  
51 any investment activity occurring in the preceding state fiscal year, (iii)  
52 productivity of recipients of financial assistance as a result of the  
53 department's investment occurring in the preceding state fiscal year,  
54 (iv) directly or indirectly increased property values in the  
55 municipalities in which the recipients of assistance are located, and (v)  
56 personal income.

57 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 32-7f of the general statutes is  
58 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
59 *1, 2013*):

60 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
61 shall establish an economic development grants program to provide  
62 grants for the following programs and purposes:

63 (1) To develop a small business incubator program to entities  
64 operating incubator facilities, as defined in section 32-34;

65 (2) To promote, retain and expand hydrogen and fuel cell industries  
66 in Connecticut;

67 (3) To promote supply chain integration and encourage the  
68 adoption of digital manufacturing and information technologies;

69 [(4) To provide training for small and medium-sized businesses in  
70 high-performance work practices;]

71 [(5)] (4) To support the development of marine science, maritime  
72 and homeland security defense industries;

73        [(6)] (5) To promote research innovation and nanotechnology; and

74        [(7)] (6) To provide technical assistance to small business owners.

75        Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 32-11f of the general statutes is  
76        repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
77        *1, 2013*):

78        (a) (1) Wherever the term "Connecticut Development Authority" is  
79        used in the following sections of the general statutes, the term  
80        "Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated" shall be substituted in lieu  
81        thereof: 3-24d, 3-24f, 3-99d, 8-134, 8-134a, 8-192, 8-192a, 8-240m, 13b-  
82        79w, 16-243v, 22a-134, 22a-173, 22a-259, 22a-264, 25-33a, 32-1l, 32-3, 32-  
83        4l, 32-6j, 32-9c, 32-9n, 32-9cc, 32-9kk, 32-9ll, 32-9qq, 32-22b, 32-23l, 32-  
84        23o, 32-23q, 32-23r, 32-23s, 32-23t, 32-23v, 32-23x, 32-23z, 32-23aa, 32-  
85        23qq, 32-23ss, 32-23tt, 32-31a, 32-61, 32-68a, 32-141, 32-222, 32-223, 32-  
86        227, 32-244, 32-244a, 32-262, 32-263, 32-265, 32-266, 32-285, 32-341, [32-  
87        477,] 32-500, 32-503 and 32-609.

88        (2) Wherever the term "authority" is used in the following sections  
89        of the general statutes, the term "corporation" shall be substituted in  
90        lieu thereof: 32-14, 32-15, 32-16, 32-16a, 32-17a, 32-18, 32-19, 32-22, 32-  
91        22a, 32-23a, 32-23j, 32-23o, 32-23p, 32-23q, 32-23r, 32-23s, 32-23v, 32-  
92        23x, 32-23y, 32-23z, 32-23bb, 32-23ii, 32-23jj, 32-23kk, 32-23ll, 32-23qq,  
93        32-23ss, 32-23tt, 32-23uu, 32-23vv, 32-31a, 32-61, 32-62, 32-63, 32-64, 32-  
94        65, 32-67, 32-68a, 32-262, 32-263, 32-265, 32-267, 32-269, 32-270, 32-271,  
95        32-272, 32-280, 32-282, 32-285, 32-341, 32-356, 32-500, 32-503, 32-717 and  
96        32-718.

97        Sec. 5. Section 32-41r of the general statutes is repealed and the  
98        following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

99        This section, section 32-40, subsection (a) of section 32-41q, and  
100        sections 32-41s [,] and 32-229 [and 32-450] shall be known and may be  
101        cited as the "Economic Recovery Act of 1996".

102       Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 32-235 of the general statutes is  
103       repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
104       *1, 2013*):

105       (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
106       amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the  
107       Department of Economic and Community Development (1) for the  
108       purposes of sections 32-220 to 32-234, inclusive, including economic  
109       cluster-related programs and activities, and for the Connecticut job  
110       training finance demonstration program pursuant to sections 32-23uu  
111       and 32-23vv, provided (A) three million dollars shall be used by said  
112       department solely for the purposes of section 32-23uu and not more  
113       than five million two hundred fifty thousand dollars of the amount  
114       stated in said subsection (a) may be used by said department for the  
115       purposes of section 31-3u, (B) not less than one million dollars shall be  
116       used for an educational technology grant to the deployment center  
117       program and the nonprofit business consortium deployment center  
118       approved pursuant to section 32-41l, (C) not less than two million  
119       dollars shall be used by said department for the establishment of a  
120       pilot program to make grants to businesses in designated areas of the  
121       state for construction, renovation or improvement of small  
122       manufacturing facilities, provided such grants are matched by the  
123       business, a municipality or another financing entity. The  
124       Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall  
125       designate areas of the state where manufacturing is a substantial part  
126       of the local economy and shall make grants under such pilot program  
127       which are likely to produce a significant economic development  
128       benefit for the designated area, (D) five million dollars may be used by  
129       said department for the manufacturing competitiveness grants  
130       program, (E) one million dollars shall be used by said department for  
131       the purpose of a grant to the Connecticut Center for Advanced  
132       Technology, for the purposes of subdivision [(5)] (4) of subsection (a)  
133       of section 32-7f, as amended by this act, (F) fifty million dollars shall be  
134       used by said department for the purpose of grants to the United States

135 Department of the Navy, the United States Department of Defense or  
136 eligible applicants for projects related to the enhancement of  
137 infrastructure for long-term, on-going naval operations at the United  
138 States Naval Submarine Base-New London, located in Groton, which  
139 will increase the military value of said base. Such projects shall not be  
140 subject to the provisions of sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a, (G) two million  
141 dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose of a grant to  
142 the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, Inc., for  
143 manufacturing initiatives, including aerospace and defense, and (H)  
144 four million dollars shall be used by said department for the purpose  
145 of a grant to companies adversely impacted by the construction at the  
146 Quinnipiac Bridge, where such grant may be used to offset the increase  
147 in costs of commercial overland transportation of goods or materials  
148 brought to the port of New Haven by ship or vessel, and (2) for the  
149 purposes of the small business assistance program established  
150 pursuant to section 32-9yy, provided fifteen million dollars shall be  
151 deposited in the small business assistance account established  
152 pursuant to said section 32-9yy. The provisions of sections 32-220 to  
153 32-234, inclusive, shall not apply to such funds authorized pursuant to  
154 this subdivision.

155 Sec. 7. Section 32-240 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
156 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

157 (a) As used in this section:

158 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and  
159 Community Development;

160 (2) "Flexible manufacturing network" means a group of three or  
161 more private sector firms working cooperatively to (A) manufacture  
162 products, (B) sell, market, develop technologies for or create or  
163 disseminate information concerning manufactured products or (C)  
164 provide manufacturing support services or computer integrated  
165 manufacturing for such firms; and

166 (3) "Manufacturing support services" means services utilized by  
167 manufacturers to improve productivity, including but not limited to,  
168 services related to quality, management, technology or product  
169 development, marketing or modernization.

170 (b) The commissioner shall award grants for the establishment of  
171 flexible manufacturing networks in the state. Such grants may be  
172 awarded to entities interested in establishing flexible manufacturing  
173 networks, including but not limited to, manufacturers, trade  
174 associations, unions, municipalities and nonprofit corporations.

175 (c) The commissioner shall prepare and issue a request for proposals  
176 for flexible manufacturing network services. The request for proposals  
177 shall require each person, firm or corporation submitting a proposal to:  
178 (1) Indicate the manufacturing sector or sectors to be included in the  
179 network, (2) indicate the persons, firms and corporations expected to  
180 participate in the network, (3) identify common problems and needs of  
181 the network participants, (4) indicate the objectives of the network,  
182 which may include but shall not be limited to, sharing costs and risks,  
183 instituting joint worker training programs, sharing new machines and  
184 equipment, using management consultant and extension services,  
185 utilizing centralized administrative support, accessing public and  
186 private development funds and identifying new business  
187 opportunities, (5) identify the specific tasks that the network would  
188 undertake and (6) provide any other information deemed necessary by  
189 the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

190 [(d) Not later than January 1, 1995, the commissioner shall report to  
191 the General Assembly on the amount of money that would be  
192 necessary to provide a grant to a flexible manufacturing network to  
193 enable the network to procure training for its participants in high  
194 performance work practices.]

195 Sec. 8. Sections 31-3v, 32-41j, 32-41k, 32-450 to 32-457, inclusive, and  
196 32-475 to 32-480, inclusive, of the general statutes are repealed.

197 (Effective July 1, 2013)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2013	10-95f(a)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2013	32-1m(a)(3)
Sec. 3	July 1, 2013	32-7f(a)
Sec. 4	July 1, 2013	32-11f(a)
Sec. 5	July 1, 2013	32-41r
Sec. 6	July 1, 2013	32-235(b)
Sec. 7	July 1, 2013	32-240
Sec. 8	July 1, 2013	Repealer section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To repeal the threshold project and high performance work organization statutes and the associated statutorily-required reports.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*